



MoHud's TOM CAMPBELL Named SCCA Pro Racing Chairman

TOPEKA, Kan. (Dec. 13, 2010) – SCCA Pro Racing, Ltd. and Sports Car Club of America (SCCA), Inc. announced today that Tom Campbell, of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., is a recent addition to the SCCA Pro Racing Board of Directors and has been elected Chairman of the Board. Campbell replaces former Chairman Brian Holtz, who passed away in September after an illness.

A wholly owned subsidiary of Sports Car Club of America, Inc., SCCA Pro Racing is a leading sanctioning body for motorsports events in the United States. A member of the Automobile Competition Committee of the United States (ACCUS), SCCA Pro Racing operates and sanctions a number of sports car and open-wheel racing entities.

“The SCCA welcomes Mr. Campbell to the Pro Racing team and anticipates that the program will continue to grow and prosper under his leadership,” Jerry Wannarka, Chairman of the SCCA, Inc., Board of Directors said.

Campbell is a 35-year member of the Sports Car Club of America and a member of the Mohawk-Hudson Region SCCA, his home region, and the Glen Region. He is currently the Chairman of the Northeast Division Council, the leadership council for the Division's 19 regions.

His familiarity with the Pro Racing Board stems from his service on the SCCA, Inc., Board of Directors from 1999 through 2004. During his six year term, he served three years as Corporate Treasurer and one year as the Chairman of the Board. During that time, he was active with the Pro Racing Board of Directors and helped develop operating goals and long range business plans.

Campbell recently retired after more than 40 years at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, a Department of Energy Laboratory operated by the Lockheed Martin Company. The licensed professional engineer spent more than 35 of those years in engineering management positions related to the operation, training, maintenance and design of the Navy's nuclear power plants for submarines.

“Among the most urgent challenges for the Board of Directors is to hire a new SCCA Pro Racing President and CEO,” Campbell said. “Bob Wildberger and his staff have the plans and details well prepared for the 2011 season and SCCA Pro will continue to provide the quality support to all of our racing series without impact by the changes in leadership. I look forward to helping the organization continue the growth and success that Mr. Wildberger has delivered.”

Bob Wildberger, current president and CEO, recently announced his resignation effective January 17, 2011. The new president will oversee the day-to-day operations of an organization that counts the World Challenge Championships, Trans-Am Series, Playboy Mazda MX-5 Cup, Pro Spec Racer Ford, Pro Formula Enterprises, and the F2000 Championship Series among the motorsports properties that it owns or sanctions.

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RE REPORT

Russ Burckhard

January Report

Hi. I'm Russ Burckhard your new RE. Jack has left some pretty big shoes to fill as he has done a great job over the last three years as RE. Thankfully he is not going far and will be the Assistant RE. I will be relying on him and the rest of the Board to do what is best for the region. I value everyone's input and if you ever have any questions, concerns, or comments please do not hesitate to contact me. russtduck@nycap.rr.com

Some great news. Tom Campbell has been named as the Chairman of the Board for the SCCA Pro Racing series. Congratulations to Tom and best wishes to him in his new position.

For those of you that want to get a little winter racing in there is a go kart outing planned for January 22nd at Checker's Out Speedway in Johnstown, NY at 2PM. Will Schambach has taken the lead on putting this event together. There is a sign up on the message board under the general announcements tab <http://mohud-scca.org/Discuss/phpBB2/viewtopic.php?t=2388&start=0>.

For the Rally enthusiasts there is a TSD Rally planned for Saturday February 26th starting at Albany Speed Shop On Central Ave in Colonie. Registration starts at 3 pm and first car off is planned for 5:01. As always, workers will be needed as well as participants. Please contact Jim Bishop for more details jbish46@nycap.rr.com .

Russ

COMPETITION REPORT

January 2011

Pro Racing-

I have to begin this month's report with congratulations to Tom Campbell. As noted on the cover of the KO, Tom has been appointed Chairman of the SCCA Pro Racing Board. I cannot think of a more capable person for this position. I am sure Tom will do an excellent job.

Court of Appeals-

On a personal note, I have been reappointed as a member of the SCCA Club Racing Court of Appeals. The Court consists of Mike West from Tennessee, Jack Marr from Texas and me. Steve Harris from Ohio and Rick Mitchell from Georgia are the alternates. We have a conference call every Thursday night and we are kept in order by our Secretary, Sue Roethel.

2011 Schedule-

The NESSCA Club Racing schedule is now on line at Nessca.com. It is time to plan your 2011 season- I , of course, plan on being at **Lime Rock on July 2nd for the MoHud Regional Race-** other races of note include the NER Rational at NHMS April 30, May 1st. A Rational is a combination National/Regional, you only need a Regional license to compete and there will be Regional Only Classes. Competitors will have 45 minutes of Qualifying/Practice and a 45 mile race. Plenty of track time. I will also be at the Mothers Day May 6, 7 Double Regional at Pocono, the weekend also

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includes an Enduro. I will try to make all of the Races at Watkins Glen, the Double National July 8-10, the July Sprints July 23, 24, The Fun One September 17, 18 and The Last Chance October 8, 9. The Last Chance also has an Enduro.

2011 Schools-

Driver Schools on the schedule include Summit Point March 19, 20 and the following weekend at NJMSP. Local Schools provided by NER are June 17 at LRP and July 8, 9 at NHMS. The LRP School is restricted to close wheeled cars only and is restricted to 30 cars. We finish the year with the Last Chance School at Watkins Glen in October 6-8.

2011 Tech Party-

The tech party has not been scheduled yet but it will be in April. Now is the time to check your belts and see if you need new ones for 2011. 2010SA helmets are available but your current helmet should be compliant. No major rule changes in the safety department for 2010.

2010 Club Racing Award Winners-

We were able to recognize the following people at the Annual Meeting December 4th.

2010 Rookie of the Year- Pat Stringer. Pat had a great 1st full year of SCCA racing. He had great races at both New Hampshire and the Glen including a win. He competed in Spec Racer Ford, one of our most competitive classes.

2010 Driver of the Year- We were fortunate to have two Drivers of the Year- Jeff Lehner in SRF was the NESSCA Champion and Dick Stewart who won the NARRC Championship in FV for the 11th time.

2010 Dave Riggi Memorial Award- Todd Boice was the recipient, for years Todd has been available both as a tech inspector and a body work consultant to assist drivers when they had problems with their cars. Todd joins a list of other "good guys" who have won this award.

2010 Mohawk Hudson Regional Championship- Rob Reed won the championship competing mostly in the SRF Pro Championship, Rob also had good races at the Glen and beat Charlie Campbell by one point.

What are QR Codes?

by Lisa Hanifan

A QR Code is a matrix barcode (or two-dimensional code), readable by QR scanners, mobile phones with a camera, and smart phones. The information encoded can be text, a URL or other data. It is FREE to create and a FREE way to bring traffic to a website, convey a message, or get information. Just recently they have begun to appear on billboards in airports, bus and train terminals and now in the print media, magazine ads, etc.

The code graphic shown here is the QR code generated for the MoHud website. If you have a phone with a camera, download an application for a bar scanner, scan the graphic and a link to the website will appear on your mobile smart phone.

Just another method to get your message to the public (granted they need to have a smart phone) which costs the club nothing and can produce great results potentially.

There are several FREE websites where you can create these QR code images. The one I use is kawya.com Try it out and see how useful the new technology can be.



Year End Annual Meeting & Awards Dinner

The MoHud Region SCCA Annual Awards dinner and year-end meeting was held at the Troy Elks Club on Sat. Dec. 4th. With nearly 80 members, their families, and friends in attendance, the festivities proved enjoyable for everyone.

Outgoing RE Jack Hanifan, Asst. RE Russ Burckhard, Roly Heacox, and Eric Smith kept the award presentations moving along. As the photos attest to, there were a great many winners accepting that evening. A list of all the award winners and solo class winners should be available on the MoHud website.

Congratulations All!

Lewis Trophy



Roly Heacox, Russ Burckhard, & Jack Hanifan



Roly Heacox, Eric Smith



Roly Heacox, DJ McArdle



Jack Hanifan, Nancy Boice



Dick Stewart, Jeff Lehner



Ernie Riggi, Todd Boice



Rob Reed



Bob Karl (BK)



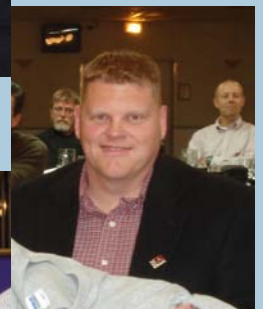
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Tom Campbell



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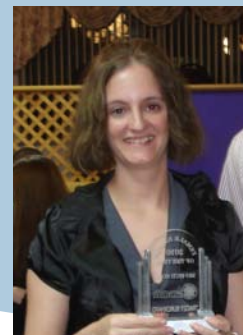
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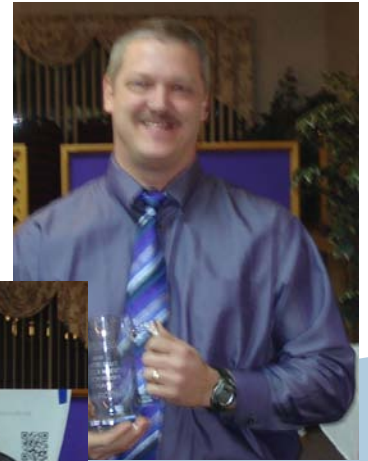
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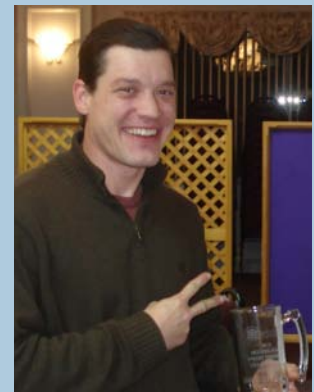
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Marty Quackenbush



Phil Redington



Jeff Kanetzky



Greg Cuda



Bill Bennett

DJ McArdle, Eric Smith



Rob Harrington



Tom Moeller



History Relived!

At the end of September two MoHud members got to relive a bit of history. Roly Heacox and Carlton Foster took a trip back in time at the Keene (NY) Hill Climb, where they competed in 1966. Here's a couple of photos from then and this year's Reunion event. Can you name the make and model of the cars they drove in '66?

Greg Rickes



Now and then!





For Immediate Release

Results from 2010 SCCA Board Elections

TOPEKA, Kan. (Dec. 2, 2010) - Sports Car Club of America, Inc. announced the results for the four Areas holding elections. One new member will join the SCCA Board of Directors for 2011, while three incumbents will rejoin for a second three-year term. All candidates ran unopposed in this year's election.

Jerry Wannarka, of Glenwood, Md., will continue to represent Area Two, joining Lisa Noble, of Manhattan, Kan., from Area Six and Phil Creighton, of Alpharetta, Ga., representing Area 12 as returning members of the SCCA Board of Directors.

In Area 10, John Walsh, from Honeoye Falls, N.Y., claimed the spot vacated by outgoing Director John Sheridan, who reached his two-term limit.

The SCCA, Inc. Board of Directors is comprised of 13 individuals voted on by the SCCA members of their particular Area. Areas are a collection of SCCA Regions nationwide.

Each unopposed election is given one vote in the official results, per SCCA guidelines.

2010 SCCA Board of Directors Election Results:

Area 2

Jerry Wannarka (unopposed) – 1

Area 6

Lisa Noble (unopposed) - 1

Area 10

John Walsh (unopposed) - 1

Area 12

Phil Creighton (unopposed) - 1

The Current Board Members have gathered in Topeka, Kan., this weekend for a Board of Directors Meeting Dec. 2 – 4 at the SCCA National Office, joined by incoming board member Walsh. Walsh will assume his full duties in 2011.

For more information about Sports Car Club of America, please visit www.scca.com.



2011 Tire Rack SCCA National Solo Schedule Released

TOPEKA, Kan. (Dec. 6, 2010) –Sports Car Club of America has released the schedules for the 2011 Tire Rack® SCCA Solo National Tour and the Tire Rack SCCA ProSolo National Series, including the Championship “Road To Lincoln” for each program.

Each series will reach its crescendo again at the Lincoln (Neb.) Airpark, with the ProSolo Finale, August 27-28, and the Tire Rack SCCA Solo National Championships beginning a day later, running August 30-September 2.

The two series will have one additional chance to gather in Lincoln prior to the Championship events. New for 2011, Lincoln will host the Spring Nationals, which will include both a ProSolo and National Tour event over the Memorial Day weekend, May 27-30. The Solo Tour event will mark the first held in Lincoln outside of the National Championship, and gives competitors a chance to prepare for the Lincoln tarmac before running for a title.

The Tire Rack Solo National Tour “Road to Lincoln” schedule consists of 10 events, opening with six Tours before a run of four States Championships and then the National Championship event.

The Dixie National Tour opens the season for the fourth-consecutive year, March 11-13, at South Georgia Motorsports Park. The Northeast Tour event, held June 3-5, just one week after the Spring Nationals, moves to Dover Speedway in Dover, Del., for the first time.

The first opportunity for Solo competitors to qualify for the prestigious Triad Award comes at the Southern States Championship, June 10-12, at the Arkansas Aeroplex in Blytheville, Ark. The Southern States Championship will be run in conjunction with the Blytheville Cars and Cycles Against Cancer charity custom car show.

The Northern States Championship visits the Toledo (Ohio) Express Airport for a holiday weekend showdown, July 1-3. The Toledo visit is the first in a new annual rotation between Toledo and Peru, Ind. Meanwhile, the Western States Championship, July 15-17, moves much further west from its previous Utah location to Hampton Mills in Packwood, Wash.

The final tune-up before the 2011 National Championship comes at the newest States Championship, the Mountain States Championship at Pikes Peak International Raceway in Fountain, Colo., July 29-31.

As was the case in 2010, the Solo Tour season concludes after the National Championship event with the Tri-States Challenge, again in Blytheville, Ark., October 22-24.

The Tire Rack ProSolo Road to Lincoln opens March 25-27 at the Mineral Wells ProSolo at the Mineral Wells (Texas) Airport. The ProSolo field returns to Mineral Wells for the first time in several years.

The series visits the El Toro Airfield in Irvine, Calif., April 8-10, and the Blytheville ProSolo, April 29-May 2, before Round Four in the shadow of the New York City skyline, May 20-22. For the first time, the series will visit New Jersey and compete in the New Meadowlands Stadium parking lot, the dazzling brand new home of football’s Giants and Jets and the site of Super Bowl XLVIII in 2014.

Following the Spring Nationals, the series will travel to the Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport in Oscoda, Mich., for Round Six. The Rocky Mountain Pro Solo will be held in either Wendover, Utah, or Fountain, Colo., followed by the Packwood ProSolo, July 22-24.

The season again concludes in Lincoln at the ProSolo Finale.

2011 Tire Rack SCCA Solo National Tour Schedule

March 11-13	Round 1
Dixie National Tour	March 25-27
South Georgia Motorsports Park	Mineral Wells ProSolo
Cecil, Ga.	Mineral Wells Airport
Mar. 18-20	Mineral Wells, Texas
Texas National Tour	Round 2
Houston Raceway Park	April 8-10
Baytown, Texas	El Toro ProSolo
April 1-3	El Toro Airfield
California National Tour	Irvine, Calif.
Qualcomm Stadium	Round 3
San Diego, Calif.	April 29-May 2
*May 6-8	Blytheville ProSolo
Mid-Atlantic National Tour	Arkansas Aeroplex
Southeast	Blytheville, Ark.
Location: TBD	Round 4
May 29-30	May 20-22
Spring Nationals	New Jersey ProSolo
Lincoln National Tour	New Meadowlands
Lincoln Airpark	East Rutherford, N.J.
Lincoln, Neb.	Round 5
June 3-5	May 27-28
Northeast National Tour	Spring Nationals
Dover Speedway	Lincoln ProSolo
Dover, Del.	Lincoln Airpark
June 10-12	Lincoln, Neb.
Southern States Championship	Round 6
National Tour @ Blytheville	June 17-19
Arkansas Aeroplex	Oscoda ProSolo
Blytheville, Ark.	Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport
July 1-3	Oscoda, Mich.
Northern States Championship	Round 7
National Tour @ Toledo	July 8-10
Toledo Express Airport	Rocky Mountain ProSolo
Toledo, Ohio	Location: TBD – Wendover, Utah or Fountain, Colo.
July 15-17	Round 8
Western States Championship	July 22-24
National Tour @ Packwood	Packwood ProSolo
Hampton Mills	Hampton Mills
Packwood, Wash.	Packwood, Wash.
July 29-31	Round 9
Mountain States Championship	August 27-28
National Tour @ Fountain	ProSolo Finale
Pikes Peak International Raceway	Lincoln Air Park
Fountain, Colo.	Lincoln, Neb.
August 30- September 2, 2011	*tentative
Tire Rack SCCA Solo National Championships	Attached: The Tire Rack® SCCA Solo National Tour and the
Lincoln Air Park	Tire Rack SCCA ProSolo National Series visit Lincoln twice
Lincoln, Neb.	in 2011.
October 22-24	Credit: Jerry Doctor
Tri-State Challenge National Tour	
Arkansas Aeroplex	
Blytheville, Ark.	
2011 Tire Rack SCCA ProSolo Schedule	



Club Racing Contingency Programs for 2011 Now Posted

TOPEKA, Kan. (Dec. 22, 2010) – With the new year approaching, SCCA Club Racers can now register for contingency programs for the 2011 season.

Five auto manufacturers – Volkswagen of America, Mazda North American Operations, Toyota/TRD, Honda Performance Development and Nissan North America have committed to contingency programs in 2011. Volkswagen will make payments to top-three finishers in selected National classes, paying as much as \$750 for a win. Additionally, Volkswagen is offering up to \$150 for a Regional race win in five classes. Mazda will make payouts to eligible drivers who finish in the top three at a National Club race, with prize money increasing significantly for a podium finish at the June Sprints and bonus money available for a Divisional Championship. Toyota will reward either \$800 or \$400 for a National race win, depending on class. Honda offers \$200 for a National win, \$100 for a runner-up finish and \$50 for third place, and sweetens the pot for Regional racers attending the American Road Race of Champions (ARRC) at Road Atlanta with \$500, \$300 and \$150 prizes for IT category racers on the podium. Details on the Nissan program are still being finalized and will be posted as soon as they are available.

Toyo, Goodyear and Hoosier are the tire companies posting National race contingency programs in 2011. As the spec tire for the Spec Miata class, Toyo will pay prize money to the top ten finishers at every National race and bonus money to those same placing drivers at each event that is considered a leg of the Club Racing Super Sweep. Goodyear and Hoosier will reward race winners in all eligible classes with two free tires, while Hoosier will chip in a single tire for runner-up finishes.

TreadZone.com returns in 2011 with a program designed to help racers purchase tires and wheels for less. Posting in all National and Regional classes, TreadZone has developed a reward system by which drivers can accumulate points to use toward purchases on tires and wheels at TreadZone.com. Eligible drivers can even earn bonus points by making purchases at TreadZone.com or by submitting national racing publications in which their car appears. The program also offers the potential to win free Toyo, BFGoodrich and Hankook Tires, plus Team Dynamics wheels, at the end of the season. Full details on the TreadZone contingency program are available on SCCA.com.

SafeRacer, again the title sponsor of the SafeRacer SCCA Club Racing National Racing Series, will reward every SafeRacer National Racing Series Champion with a \$500 product certificate just for running the decals required by the GCR.

Summit Racing Equipment will post in eight National classes in 2011, matching its 2010 program. The performance parts retailer is offering \$125 for a race win, \$75 for a runner-up finish and \$50 for a third-place finish to eligible drivers.

Detailed contingency program descriptions and online registration information for these programs are now posted at www.scca.com. Select the Club Racing tab and then “contingencies” from the left-hand menu. Drivers should read the program requirements carefully and be sure to have the necessary paperwork turned in before their first event.

Keep checking www.scca.com for additional Club Racing contingencies as they become available.

Attached: Contingency decals can offset the costs of racing for SCCA Club Racers.

Credit: Shaun Lumley

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NORTH ATLANTIC ROAD RACING CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

NARRC REPORT—JAN. 2011

First, I want to thank Jack Hanifan and Tom Campbell for appointing me to be the NARRC Committee Driver Representative. It is certainly a position I look forward to taking an active interest in.

My first experience with this committee was this past November at the Rochester Mini-Con. Lots of different ideas for me to think about. As some of you may know, the NARRC Series has been around over 30 years. This series has been very successful and well attended over those years. It is a series which encourages drivers to go to several different tracks in the upper Northeast.

The past few years has seen some changes to NARRC and has honestly not made every competitor happy. This year we have tried to bring back some of the excitement which usually followed the series. One of the biggest changes is eliminating the 1000 points or more to be crowned a champion. This past year we actually had one class that had 31 competitors and the first place driver had only 950 points but with the 1000 point rule was not crowned Champion. This did not set well with several competitors, including myself. This coming season you will have to attend 50% or more of the races to be a Champion. The other big change will be the champion will be decided by the total accumulated points without any races dropped. I'm not sure how this will be accepted but please let me know your thoughts. StewartCo@aol.com That's what I am here for, to represent YOU!

Take a look at the new NARRC Rules and Points at www.narrc.com/

Catch you at the races,
Dick Stewart
NARRC Committee Rep.

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Participants meeting – 4:30 pm

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The weekend membership fee is creditable toward full membership.

Information and Pre-registration -

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Find the latest complete calendar at

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DATES	NATIONALS	REGIONALS	SCHOOLS
February 10-12	SCCA Convention	South Point Hotel	Las Vegas, NV
March 5 & 6	Northeast Division	Roundtable & Steward Meeting	The Inn @ Pocono
March 12 & 13 / Daylight Savings			
March 19	Northeast Division	Steward Meeting	Hotel TBD
March 19 & 20			WDC/Summit-D (18-20)
March 26 & 27			JRB/NJMP-L
April 2 & 3			
April 9 & 10			
April 16 & 17 / Passover 19th		WDC/Summit (M)	
April 23 & 24 / Easter			
April 30 & May 1	NER/NHMS	NER/NHIS	
		JRB/NJMP-T-12 Hour Enduro (29 & 30)	
May 7 & 8 / Mothers Day		NNJ/Pocono D + Pro IT (Na)	
May 14 & 15			
May 21 & 22	WDC/Summit		
May 28, 29 & 30 / Memorial Day		MVR/Nelson D 28-29 (K)	
		NER/NHMS D (Na)	
June 4 & 5	SJR/NJMP-T / Test Day 3rd	SJR/NJMP-T (R Pro IT 5)	
June 11 & 12		WDC/Summit (M)	
June 18 & 19 / Fathers Day		NER/LimeRock (17-18) (Na)	NER/LimeRock (17)
June 25 & 26		JRB/NJMP-L Test Day 24th	
July 2, 3 & 4 / Independence Day		MHR/LimeRock (2) (Na)	
July 9 & 10	FLR/Glen D 8-10	NER/NHMS	NER/NHMS (8-9)
		WDC/Summit (M)	
July 16 & 17		GLN/Glen (Na)	
July 23 & 24		STC/BeaveRun R	
July 30 & 31	STC/BeaveRun	NER/NHMS D	
August 6 & 7			
August 13 & 14	TRI/Pocono D 12-14		
August 20 & 21		JRP/NJMP-T Test Day 19th (M) (Na)	
August 26 - September 2			
August 27 & 28	MVR/Nelson		
September 3, 4 & 5 / Labor Day		WDC/Summit-D (M)	
September 10 & 11		NER/NHMS D	
September 17 & 18		FLR/Glen-D	
September 19 - 25	SCCA RUNOFFS	ROAD AMERICA	ELKHART LAKE, WI
September 24 & 25 / Rosh Hashanah 29th			
October 1 & 2		NYR/LimeRock (30-1 NARRC Runoffs)	
October 8 & 9 / Yom Kippur 8th - Columbus Day 10th		GLN/Glen Enduro-8th/Regional-9th	GLN/Glen (6-8)
		WDC/Summit (M)	
October 15 & 16			
October 22 & 23		JRB/NJMP-L	
October 29 & 30 / Halloween			
November 5 & 6 / Daylight Savings			
November 12 -13 / Veterans Day 11th			
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SOLO
by Russ Burckhard

January Report

Hope everyone had a nice Holiday. As you know the banquet was held in the beginning of December and as usual it was a good time. The Solo Championship mugs were a big hit and I expect that we will be handing them out again next year. For those who missed the presentation here it is for you. Congratulations to all of the winners.

Welcome to the Solo portion of the 2010 Mohawk Hudson Awards Banquet. As most of you know, Darryl Carl and Albany Speed Shop helped out with the Solo program by donating 5 Race alignments. Besides alignments, Albany Speed shop can take care of many things for you. They offer a do-it-yourself program where you can rent a lift and a technician if needed or they can do it for you. Some of their services include repairs, upgrades, fabrication, welding, dyno service, and scaling service. Out of the 5 Race Alignments, 3 were given out at the Solo events. 1 was given out at the PDX and if everyone has their tickets out, the final one will be given to: Sierra Seerup.

Overall, 2010 was a good year. While we have had better years, there have been worse. The season started with our first event at Adirondack Community College being double booked by the college. In the interest of keeping good relations we opted to not hold our first event. While that was a good strategy, the end result was not what I was hoping for as our final 2 events were canceled and we will not be allowed back for the foreseeable future. The schedule now had 2 open dates on it. Fortunately I was already working with a new potential site owner and was able to get the same date as the first one that was lost. The replacement site worked out to be a great site. Fortitech Inc. at the Schenectady airport allowed us the use of what used to be the Police EVOC training course. Use of this site was definitely a high point of the season. Wilton Mall graciously allowed us the use of their site for the remaining open date. When all was said and done, we were only short 1 event for what was scheduled this season.

I would like to thank our sites; First off, is Adirondack Community College. I know we are not able to use their site anymore, but I would like to thank them for the events that they allowed us to hold over the past few years. The McCarty Ave OGS lot has been a great site for us over the past few years and I expect that relationship to continue. Wilton Mall has been great to work with. What the site lacks in size, the staff makes up for with the way they conduct business. They are an absolute pleasure to deal with. Our newest site is Fortitech. They gave us a chance to use their facility and let me tell you, it is a great facility. We impressed them with all of the aspects of the event. I am extremely hopeful for multiple events there next year. Seneca Army Depot is a world class site. We held a test and tune and the Finger Lakes Region held the Northeast National Tour there. The future of Seneca is in jeopardy and hopefully the issues will be resolved and we will be able to continue to be able to use it.

There are a lot of people I need to thank; the first one has made this year a whole lot of fun for me. Arne Beebe has put together a great car and has allowed me the opportunity to co-drive it. All I can say is "what a blast that car is". Arne has also been a Safety Steward at all of our events. Our other Safety Stewards are Bruce Kosakoski and Phil Reddington. We also have a group of recently trained stewards that have been helping out. Byron and Danielle O'Hara took care of Registration all year even though they were busy buying a Dominoes' Pizza franchise and were unable to compete. Thank you and congratulations to the O'Hara's. Bert Huiest has continued to set up some great courses. Eric Smith continues to do a great job with Timing and Scoring. Carmine Russo took over this year as Chief of Tech. Will Schambach is Chief of Waivers. DJ McArdle is always there for whatever we need and Jim Garry for organizing and putting everything in place for the test and tune out in Seneca. Also thanks to everyone else that has helped out with the events. Another person who made my year so good is my wife Tracey. After going with me to the National Tour out at Seneca as a spectator, she was intrigued by the women that were running there. The whole way back she would talk about trying one of our events. With the help from Sue Cuda, Bruce Kosakoski, Bill Bennett, Jeff Kanetzky, Eric Smith and others, she got hooked.

Another one of our members needs to be recognized for his continued support. Bob Karl and his staff at Bob Karl's Auto Sales and Service have taken care of the maintenance on the Mohud van and offered up his shop for the annual tech party. I have also heard of other stories of Bob's generosity from many different Mohud members. Thanks Bob!

Class Trophy Winners

Stock

8th Place from GS Moises Samaniego Moises was also instrumental in getting the Fortitech site.

7th Place from BS Travis Bryant

6th Place from HS Robert Harrington

5th Place from CS DJ McArdle

4th Place from CS Greg Cuda

3rd Place from ES Tom Moeller

2nd Place from BS Phil Reddington

1st Place from GS Bill Bennett

Street Prepared

6th Place from CSP Bert Huiest

5th Place from CSP Will Scbambach

4th Place from ESP Marty Quackenbush

3rd Place from ESP Devin LeMoine

2nd Place from CSP Lyndon Peck

1st Place from DSP Bruce Kosakoski

Prepared Modified

3rd Place from FP Jeff Kanetzky

2nd Place from CP Arne Beebe

1st Place from CP Russ Burckhard

Street

5th Place from ST Peter Mitchell

4th Place from ST Carmine Russo

3rd Place from SM Phil Shoemaker

2nd Place from ST Ron Carl

1st Place from SM Eric Smith

SOLO Specialty Trophies

Novice Driver of the year

The 2010 winner was the toughest pick of the year. We had several nominees that made impressive debuts. For the winner, while some of his finishes were not as good as the other nominees; they were respectable for what was arguably the most difficult car to drive. To quote one of the committee members "His driving is pretty consistent, and I think he's got a real good mix of aggression and calculation. I did not witness him "pushing through a push". He looks smooth, reasonably early and close to the cones". What was the deciding factor for picking this nominee was his willingness to help out in both setting up and tearing down the event. This year's winner is Allan Varcoe.

Most Improved Driver

The nominee for this year's Most Improved Driver had an outstanding year. He made huge improvements from last year. Last year he was consistently at the bottom of the pack with an average finish of 4.5 out of 5.25 in Street and an overall Pax average of 37.5. In 2010 he was consistently at the top. With a class average finish of 1.28 out of 5 and a pax average of 14 out of 42, He finished 2nd in the Street group. The 2010 Most Improved Driver is Ron Carl.

Female Driver of the Year

This year we had 3 women eligible for the Female Driver of the Year; Sierra Seerup, Sue Cuda, and Tracey Burckhard. Anyone of them would be a good choice for this award, but we had to narrow it down to one. The winner started a little slow as it was her first season of competition. She went from a tentative and cautious driver at her first event to a thinking driver who could analyze a course with pretty good accuracy by the end of the season. This could have made her a candidate for most improved. By her final event of the year she managed a 2nd place finish in her class. She was limited by the performance of her all season tires, but drove aggressively and got about as much as she could out of them. Her overall Pax average for the year was 27th out of 42. This year's Female Driver of the year is Tracey Burckhard

Driver of the Year

This driver had a spectacular year. He finished 1st in his class at every event and no worse than 2nd overall in Stock. His Pax average in Stock is an impressive 1.28 and his overall Pax average is a 4th out of 42. He scored 300 points out of a possible 305 for the season. The Driver of the Year is this year's Stock Champion, Bill Bennett.

Worker of the Year

The Worker of the Year is usually a tough award to give as there are many that do so much during the year. I would like to be able to give everyone a trophy, but that is not possible. Some of those that would deserve it would be our Solo Advisory Committee consisting of Andy Furlong, Bruce Kosakoski, Bert Huiest, Tom Hansen, Eric Smith, Lyndon Peck , Jeff Kanetzky, Will Schambach, and myself. Our worker chiefs not already mentioned; Carmine Russo, and Byron and Danielle O'Hara. There are others that help out at all of our events most notably Tom Moeller and DJ McArdle. I know I am not mentioning everyone that helps out, but that doesn't mean I don't appreciate the efforts. This year's winner was one of the first to show up and one of the last to leave. He took over some of the setting up so that others would be able to have the luxury of walking the course. He would help with tearing down. He hosted an after event party at his house and donated the use of a FM transmitter so that the competitors could listen to the announcements and commentary from the comfort of their cars. His efforts helped to fill in for our friend and last year's Worker of the Year John Danese, who spent the year in Colorado and has made it back for tonight's banquet. The 2010 winner of the Worker of the year is Tom Moeller.

Monthly Membership Report 12/21/2010

New member report 12/21/10. From 11/20/10 to 12/21/10.

No new members for this period.

Anniversary Report generated on: 12/21/10

Name	Joined on	Years
	January	
Steven Dweck	01/06/07	5

Anniversary Report generated on: 12/21/10 For the year 2011

Name	Joined on	Years
	January	
Jack O. Young	01/09/01	10.1

There are 321 members in the region.

There is not much to report this month. I did field one email inquiry from a person who is interested in the region and will probably be attending the January meeting. Dick Stewart is contacting members who have not renewed but with mixed success. So far there are no conclusions to be reached regarding why members don't renew. When we have a larger data set, perhaps some insight can be gained.

This year a total of thirty eight people joined the region. More did not renew resulting in a net loss of fifteen members or about four percent.

Webmasters Report

We have a Rally coming up in February. See the details in the KO or on the Web Site. Have a great Christmas and new year!

Dave Wachtel
Webmaster/Membership Chair

NEWS

From Walter Huber

NNJ, MoHud SCCA member

Hi,

Well I had a great experience on Friday afternoon -- quite emotional --

In my Hash column in our Northern New Jersey Region (SCCA) newsletter, pole position, in the May-June issue I mentioned a particular trucking company and said I hoped to get some photos of one of their rigs.



I finally got out to visit "Road Scholar Transport" a motor freight company in Dunmore, PA to actually see and take pix of the specific tractor-trailer rig which is painted up to alert folks to "93 cents for Flight 93." The names of all forty of the Flight 93 passengers & crew -- including our friends, Joe & Linda, of course -- are inscribed around the bottom of the semi-trailer.

I phoned Road Scholar to ask if we could see the rig and perhaps take a picture standing by it. Carbondale is about a dozen miles from Dunmore. Mike Duffy, the terminal boss, said that the semi-trailer was in the yard but the "power unit" was on the road and due in shortly. He asked that I call back a bit later and he would check to see how close the "power unit" -- the tractor portion of the rig; where the motor and the driver are -- was to the terminal.

Everything worked out beautifully. The power unit (which is decorated with the head of a swooping eagle) had arrived and Mike had connected it up to its Flight 93 semi-trailer and had positioned the rig so that we could photograph it. (Thank you so very much, Mike!)

We took a bunch of pix and Mike even let me get up into the cab -- he's apparently a very trusting person since the key was in the ignition -- for a photo op.

As Nancy & I left the Road Scholar terminal, we drove around the yard and saw some of the other power units and semi-trailers parked there. Road Scholar has decorated a bunch of their rolling stock in livery recognizing various charitable organizations, e.g. -- Cystic Fibrosis, Foundation for the Blind, Alex's Lemonade Stands, Children's Tumor Foundation, Children's Cancer Recovery, and several others.

I cannot even begin to imagine how many folks are made aware of all these charities & agencies when these rigs are being driven down our nation's highways. 'Tis a wonderful thing which the Road Scholar folks are doing with these rolling billboards. Take a look at this short film clip in which Jim Barrett, Road Scholar founder & CEO, speaks about these causes. <http://roadscholar.com/newawareness/SlideshowWeb3b.html>

And as I mentioned in my Hash column last summer, if you or your company have goods to be shipped anywhere in the Road Scholar Transport area, give Road Scholar a call -- 800-542-2301. And, yeah... I'm gonna put one or two of these pix in my next column along with some paragraphs about Road Scholar and their rolling billboard campaign. So you guys will be seeing this again when everyone else also sees it.

And I'm guessing most of the folks who are receiving this note from me today can safely be called "motorheads." So if any of you needs a car, boat or cycle shipped somewhere, check out this link: <http://www.roadscholar.com/autohauling.html> They do auto hauling, too.

Mr. Al Barrett is the CEO of *Road Scholar*. He and his whole team deserve much recognition for their wonderful generosity and spirit for great causes.



Susie, Al, Walter, and Nancy





The **TORQUE** Bulletin



DAKOTA DONOVAN *We Will Miss You*



Photo: Leonard Wood

Wednesday, 18-year-old Dakota Donovan, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. passed away after sustaining a gunshot wound during an accidental shooting at a home in Plantation, Florida.

On the track, Donovan had recently completed his first SCCA National Championship Runoffs, qualifying third and running in the top four of his Spec Racer Ford class until his engine expired with three laps remaining in the race. Dakota

was featured in the First Gear article from the November issue of SportsCar. Our hearts go out to Dakota's Parents, Dave and Lisa. It is always a sad thing to lose a friend and fellow member, but to lose one so young and with such great things ahead is simply devastating. Many members will remember seeing Dakota as a toddler, and as a young man at the track, where his Father, a long time Florida Region member, raced in SRF and Formula Mazda. Racing has always been a Family activity for the Donovan Family.

This from Mark Schneider who has been assisting the Donovans with arrangements:

The Memorial Service for Dakota is being held Wednesday, December 8 at 4:00 pm at St. Gregory's Catholic Church located at 200 N. University Drive, Plantation, FL 33324. Flowers can be sent to Dave Donovan's house (1400 SW 68th Ave Plantation Fl 33317). Those sent will be taken to the service. Field of Flowers (954-680-6888) located at 5101 S. University can provide arrangements.

**Central Florida and Florida Regions have announced that the Quad Nationals, SRF Winter Tour Championship will be renamed
The Dakota Donovan SRF Winter Tour Championship**